

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Elections – Payment of ex-gratia compensation to family of Polling Personnel who die or sustain injuries while on election duty – Partial modification – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS-A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.162

Dated:28.12.2022
Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.150, G.A. (Elecs.B) Department, dated 13.11.2014.
 2. The Election Commission of India, New Delhi, Lr.No.218/6/2019/EPS, dated 10.04.2019.
 3. G.O.Ms.No.7, G.A. (Elecs.A) Department, dated 10.01.2022.
 4. The Election Commission of India, New Delhi, Lr.No.218/6/2020/EPS, dated 22.07.2020.
 5. The Election Commission of India, New Delhi, Lr.No.218/6/2020/EPS, dated 22.07.2020.
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ORDER:

In the Government Order third read above, the Government has issued partial modification orders to the G.O. first read above by enhancing the slabs of the ex-gratia compensation to the families of personnel engaged for election related work and who die or sustain injuries while on election duty, as per the Election Commission of India's letter vide second read above.

2. The Election Commission of India vide letter fourth read above, considered and decided to grant compensation of Rs.30 lakhs to the family of all polling personnel including CAPFs and BEL/ECIL engineers, in the event of death due to COVID-19, during the process of election and thereby modified the instructions in the reference second read above.

3. The Election Commission of India vide letter fifth read above, considered and decided to treat BEL/ECIL engineers who are engaged in First Level Checking (FLC), EVM Commissioning, Poll Day and Counting Day duty as polling personnel and payment of ex-gratia compensation will be applicable mutatis mutandis to these BEL/ECIL engineers. The period of FLC duty and the duration for which the official is deputed for poll/counting arrangement, will be treated as period of election duty. In addition, they shall be provided cashless medical treatment facility which will remain effective till the persistence of COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Government after careful examination of the said recommendations of the Election Commission of India

(a) para 3(ii) of the orders third read above is modified as under:

(ii) If the death is unfortunately caused due to any violent acts of extremist or unsocial elements like road mines, bomb blasts, armed attacks, and on death due to COVID-19 etc., the amount of compensation will be Rs.30 lakhs.

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(b) para 5 of the orders third read above is modified as under:

*(5) Payment of ex-gratia compensation to family of polling personnel who die or sustain injuries while on election duty will be applicable to all the personnel deployed in all types of election related duties, all security personnel including (CAPFs, SAPs, State Police, Home Guards etc.), any private persons like drivers, cleaners etc., hired for deployment for election duty (The category of persons has been defined vide Commission's Letter No.218/6/98PLN-I, dated 25.11.1998 and No.218/6/2003 PLN-I, dated 06.02.2003) and **BEL/ECIL engineers who are engaged in First Level Checking (FLC), EVM Commissioning, Poll Day and Counting Day duty. The period of FLC duty and the duration for which the official is deputed for poll/counting arrangement, will be treated as period of election duty. In addition, they shall be provided cashless medical treatment facility which will remain effective till the persistence of COVID-19 pandemic.***

5. These orders issue with the concurrence of Finance (EBS.I) Departmentvide their U.O.No. 703944/161/A1/EBS-I/2022, dated 09.11.2020, U.O.Nos. 1625972/127/EBS.I/A1/2022, 1625960/128/EBS.I/A1/2022, and 1625986/129/EBS.I/A1/2022 dated 08.08.2022.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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E.O. PRL. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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The Collector & District Magistrate, Hyderabad (w.e)

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The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Telangana State, Hyderabad (w.e)

The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations Department,

Telangana State, Hyderabad (w.e)

All the District Treasury Officers, Telangana State (w.e)

All Officers and Sections in G.A. (Elections) Department (w.e)

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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER